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ADDRESSED TO THE SUBJECT MATTER SPECIALIST
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PREFACE

Notice to Student

Welcome

Welcome to the OM2 Navigation and Watchstanding pamphlet. The purpose of this nonresident training pamphlet is to provide you with information on related *performance qualifications* as listed in the quartermaster section of the "Enlisted Qualification Manual," COMDTINST M1414.8 (series). This pamphlet contains information you need to know to master those requirements.

New format

This pamphlet is written in a new format called *structured writing*. Information is presented in modular units based on the purpose or function for the reader. It focuses on sequencing information for the reader's use while including detail the reader needs. The pamphlet is designed to support easy scanning by the reader. It allows those who need detail to find it quickly, while those who don't can scan for relative points.

References

This text has been compiled for TRAINING ONLY. It should NOT be used in place of official directives or publications. The text information is current according to the references listed. You should, however, remember that it is YOUR responsibility to keep up with the latest professional information available for your rating. Current information is available in Coast Guard "Enlisted Qualifications Manual," COMDTINST M1414.8 (series). References used to develop this pamphlet are listed below.

- ◆ "American Practical Navigator" Pub. 9 Vol. 1
- ◆ "DMA Catalog of Maps, Charts, and
Related Publications" CATP2VO1U
- ◆ "Maneuvering Board Manual" DMA PUB 217
- ◆ Medals and Awards Manual COMDTINST M1650.25
- ◆ National Search And Rescue Manual, COMDTINST M16120.6
Volume II
- ◆ "Sight Reduction Tables for Air Navigation" PUB 249
- ◆ "The Nautical Almanac"
- ◆ "The Air Almanac"
- ◆ "Watch Officer's Guide" Naval Institute Press

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Learning Advice

There are *seven reading assignments* to complete. Read the learning objectives before you begin reading the text. Each assignment contains a *self-quiz* at the end of the assignment. The purpose of the self-quiz is to determine if you have accomplished the objectives stated at the beginning of the assignment.

At the end of each pamphlet is a *pamphlet review quiz* designed to introduce you to multiple choice type questions similar to ones which may be asked on the *end-of-course* test.

Many students study **ONLY** the self-quizzes, thinking that this will be enough to pass the end-of-course test (EOCT). **THIS IS NOT TRUE.** The EOCT is based on the stated objectives. To pass the EOCT, you must study all the course material.

End-of-Course Test

After you complete all the *assignments*, take the *pamphlet review quiz*, and feel that you have mastered the *objectives* stated in this course, you may request from the Coast Guard Institute that the end-of-course test be sent to your unit for you to take.

SWE Study Suggestions

Servicewide exam questions for your rate and pay grade are based on the Professional and Military Requirements sections of the "Enlisted Qualifications Manual," COMDTINST M1414.8 (series). If you use the references from this text and consult the "Enlisted Qualifications Manual," you should have good information for review when you prepare for your servicewide exam.

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